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plying; and enjoins them faithfully to perform this service, and report to the magistrates all cases of offence that they may discover, in order that the offender may be arrested in his course and punished—and thus proceeds: 'For rulers are not to be a terror to the good workers, but to the evil; and wilt thou, then, not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same; for he is a minister of God to thee for good, for he should keep down the devil; but if thou doest that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword * in vain; for he is the minister of God to revenge and execute wrath upon him that doeth evil. So he is the revenger and executioner of the wrath upon the evil doer, as God hath placed him—on him that steals, or kills, or bears false witness,' &c. 'And to that power that executes the revenge, and brings the sword * upon the murderer, thief, false witness and other evil doers, we must be subject to that power, and own that power, not not only for wrath, but for conscience sake; which is for the punishment of the evil doers, and the praise of them that do well.' "

Other quotations are made from George Fox, Robert Barclay, Pyott, Burrough and Penn, all conspiring to prove, beyond a doubt, that the Friends have from the first held both to peace and government.

We revert to this subject, not for any purpose of reproach or odium, but in order to keep before our readers the important fact, that the strongest advocates of peace have ever been, with a few recent exceptions, decided advocates of civil government as an ordinance from God for the good of man. Whether our views of peace are right, we do not now inquire; but we insist on the indisputable fact, that whether right or wrong, they are actually consistent with a belief in human government.

OFFICIAL LETTER,

From the Society of Christian Morals, Paris, to the President of the A. P. S.

Our readers are already apprized, that this Society, organized in 1828, has from the first included peace among its objects; but it will be seen from the following communication, that they now propose to take up the subject with new zeal in a way likely to accomplish much more good than ever before. Our Society has already replied to this letter; and we shall hope hereafter for a correspondence with our co-workers in France more frequent and valuable than heretofore.

Society of Christian Morals,
Paris, 17th March, 1841.

Secretary's Office, No. 12, Taranne Street.

Mr. President,—We have the honor to address to you the Journal of Christian Morals of 11th January, from which you will learn,

* The term *sword* is used by Friends figuratively, as emblematical of the power vested in the civil magistrate.

that our Society has recently appointed a special committee on universal and perpetual peace.

Many members of your Society know, that this design has constantly been kept in view by our Society; and the Standing Committee which it has now organized, will make known to you, that its intention is, to unite in a more special manner its efforts with yours to arrive at this great result.

In consideration therefore of the particular circumstances in which we are placed, our Committee has need of your active and enlightened co-operation; and it is for this purpose that it addresses itself to your Society, whose experience will be valuable to it, in order to open communications as frequent as possible, with the design of laboring with each other for a result which may have so great an influence on the future progress of humanity.

The Society, therefore intreats you, Mr. President, not only to enter into connections with it, but to consent to procure for it as many such connections as possible with the societies or friends of peace that are in communication with that over which you preside. On its own part, it will be prompt to send you all the documents it shall publish.

The Committee earnestly desire to have some of the publications of your Society, especially those which have received premiums.

Please accept, Mr. President, the assurance of our most distinguished consideration.

[Signed by the President, Vice Presidents and Secretary General of the Society.]

☞At the annual meeting of the American Peace Society in May last, it was voted to adjourn to Wednesday, Oct. 13, for the election of President and other officers, and for the transaction of other important business. The said meeting will be held at the Marlboro' Chapel, at 7 o'clock, on the evening of that day. Members are requested to attend.

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